

## Monthly Evaluation of Work - November

### **An t-Uachtarán**

#### **General work**

*General communication and relationship building with external stakeholders and organisations*  
*Organised the NCCA SPHE SC consultation*  
*Prep and research for NCCA meetings*  
*Reviewing charter for women in rural Ireland by the National Womens Council Ireland*  
*Femfest speech prep*  
*Cineáltas Action plan on Bullying- feedback and review of final draft*  
*Support for CG officers where possible*

**Student Voice Policy Platform:** (wasn't able to attend the launch event due to illness)

*Meeting with Labour party with Runaí re SVPP*  
*Article - quote*  
*Confirmed RSVPs with politicians*  
*Answered phone calls and queries*

#### **Meetings**

##### **Internal**

*SLT calls*  
*BOD calls*  
*SADxUachtarán call*  
*Check in calls*  
*New Clerical officer welcome*  
*In-person CG meeting / NCCA SPHE SC consultation*  
*Ukraine resource meeting*  
*Decolonising Education prep call*  
*Strategic planning meetings prep 2x*  
*Individual officer meetings x12*

##### **External**

*Meeting with Education Partners and Chief Inspector*  
*Next Ukraine Education Stakeholder Meeting*  
*Educate together bi-lateral meeting*  
*College awareness week prep*  
*Femfest- meeting with NWC*  
*Meetings with potential candidates for Leas-Uachtarán*  
*Research Briefing on the NYCI Survey Findings on the impact of the Cost-of-Living Crisis*

#### **Events**

*Launch of Cineáltas Action plan on Bullying*  
*Femfest- National Women's Council*

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*College awareness week chaired the panel  
Louth meath, Kildare Wicklow Regional council*

***Extraordinary Assembly:***

*Chaired EA planning meeting 2x  
Emailed Chair, returning officer, minute taker  
Meeting with returning officer alongside Emma  
Meeting with chair alongside Emma  
Supported Staff and CG officers in preparation  
Running for election webinar  
Meetings with potential candidates for Leas-Uachtarán x4  
Provided info and answered any queries about the role*

***\*I was OOO from 27th Nov-1st Dec due to personal reasons\****

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## **Rúnaí:**

### **Meetings:**

- Met with Uachtarán on the 1st of November to prepare for our in person Coiste Gnó na nDaltaí meeting.
- Prep, organised and held a Coiste Gnó meeting on the 2nd of November in person;
- Organised and chaired the first meeting of the Vote@16 and Voting education working group.
- Met with the international officer to prepare for the Council of Members for the Organising Bureau of European School Student Unions.
- Attended a Strategic Planning Prep Meeting on the 25th of November, alongside various members of the Coiste Gnó.
- Attended the Strategic Planning Meeting on the 26th of November with various officers from the Coiste Gnó, members of the Secretariat, and members of the Board of Directors.
- Organised and facilitated a meeting of the Coiste Gnó online with Uachtarán and Regional Liaison and Support Officer on the 29th of November.
- Attended my monthly Monitoring and Advisory Committee meeting on the 30th of November.

### **Regional Councils:**

- Attend meetings with the Wicklow Kildare Regional Officers to support their regional council planning.
- Attend meetings with the Louth Meath Regional Officers to support their regional council planning.
- Attended the Louth Meath Regional Council on the 10th of with Uachtarán in a supportive capacity.
- Attended the Kildare Wicklow Regional Council on the 11th of November, with Uachtarán in a supportive capacity.

### **Extraordinary Assembly:**

- Organised and Attended an Extraordinary Assembly prep meeting on the 4th of December.
- Organised and Attended another Extraordinary Assembly prep meeting on the 5th of December.
- Contracted various schools via phone call and email for Extraordinary Assembly registrations.
- Met with the National Student Voice Development Officer Emma Sweeney to discuss Extraordinary Assembly.

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**Student Voice Policy Platform:**

- Attended various prep meetings for student voice policy platform
- Met with the Labour Party in advance of the Student Voice Policy platform launch on the 14th of November.
- Attended and facilitated the Student Voice Policy Platform launch on the 17th of November, and celebrated International Students' Day.

**Other:**

- Attend the NCCA consultation on SPHE education in senior cycle on the 2nd of November.
- Supported the role of Uachtarán during their out of office period, in the absence of a Leas-Uachtarán, alongside the Education Officer, Welfare Officer and Sustainability Officer.
- My general focus this month was to support the Uachtarán in the absence of the Leas Uachtarán and organise an Extraordinary Assembly.

**Education Officer:**

*-incomplete*

**Regional Liaison and Support Officer:**

- *Working on Regional Councils throughout the month of November. We held our last Regional Council on the 28th of November.*
- *I am working with the Regional Officers to create handover documents for the incoming Regional Officers*
- *Working on the New Regional Officer Body's Training in January*
- *Creating the new Regional Officers email group and chat rooms*

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**Welfare Officer:**

*In-person meetings & events:*

*Coiste Gnó meeting on November 2nd in Liberty Hall*

*Strategic Planning Meeting with BoD & CG on November 26th in Forsá*

*YWI Be Well meeting*

*Attended the launch of the HSE parent booklets 'Making the Big Talk many Small talks' available at [sexualwellbeing.ie](http://sexualwellbeing.ie) - go check them out! Our education officer Jack and Uachtarán Oinigh Emer worked on these during last years CG Term*

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**Equality Officer:**

**Meeting and events:**

- Met with the Ukrainian resource group on the 1st of November
  - Resource is now finished!!
  
- Attended the coiste gnó meeting online 2nd of November
  - Presented my freedom of religious expression stance and got it approved.
  
- Organised and planned an introductory call with the Equality Officer of SSUNI with the disability officer on the 3rd of November
  - Organised a call with SSUNI equality officer and our disability officer to talk about possible collaboration throughout the year.
  
- Attended the CG EA prep calls on the 4th and 5th of November
  
- Attended the launch of BeLongTo's School Climate Survey and represented the ISSU on a panel at this event on the 15th of November.
  - Spoke with many different organisations on how we can make school a more healthy environment for LGBTQI+ students.
  
- Met with Emma to discuss IWC logistics on the 23rd of November
  
- Attended the Strategic Planning prep call on the 25th of November
  
- Attended the Strategic Planning in person meeting on the 26th of November
  
- Attended the Coiste Gnó meeting on the 29th of November

**Other:**

Drafted the funding emails for ISSU's Women's Conference

### **International Officer:**

#### **Ukrainian Crisis:**

- Finished work on the “Guide to the Irish Education System” the document is now done.
- We are now looking to get the resource document translated into Ukrainian and Russian.
- We are currently planning a launch event with all the relevant major stakeholders.

#### **Mental Health Report:**

- I continued to meet with Lauren from SSUNI weekly to work on this.
- We worked on developing the questions for the survey.
- We also developed a rough draft of how we are going to release the survey and how we are going to hold focus groups.
- We compared experiences of other organisations who have done something similar.

### **Meetings with other International officers:**

I met with Honza, the president of The Czech High School Students Union (CSU).

We talked about:

- The ISSU’s attendance in the conference for regional participation in Prague.
- We also talked about the importance of grassroots movements in student unions.

I met with Andreas, from the Landssammenslutningen af Handelskoleelever (LH).

We talked about:

- Policy development in LH
- The structure of the groups, producing and recommending policies.
- The type of policies that LH has developed in the past.

I met with Lauren, the International Officer from the Secondary Students Union of Northern Ireland (SSUNI)

We talked about:

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- Organising a joint in person meeting between the two executives.

**Meetings:**

- Ukrainian Resource - 1st of November
- Met with Emma (AFC) - 1st of November
- In Person Coiste Gnó Meeting - 2nd of November
- Planning/Prep Meeting - 4th & 5th of November
- Met with lauren - 4th, 11th & 18th of November
- Vote@16 and Voting Education WG - 20th of November
- Met with Runai - 23rd & 30th of November
- Planning meeting - 25th of November
- Strategic Planning meeting (in-person) - 26th of November

**\*Please note that due to being in sixth year I am working of off limited capacity\***

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**Communications Officer:**

**Posts:**

- Traenáil na nOifigeach Gaeilge 2022
- Extraordinary Assembly Announcement
- Student Voice Policy Platform
- Run for Leas Uachtaran Webinar
- Stand Up Week
- Extraordinary Assembly Promo

**Other:**

- Attended the In Person Coiste Gnó Meeting on the 2nd of November
- Uploaded Meeting Minutes to the website
- Uploaded the MEOW to the website
- Sent out the monthly newsletter

**\* Please note I was Out of Office from the 19th till the 25th of November due to my in school exams. I am also experiencing a time of low capacity due to my commitments to my education\***

### **Oifigeach Na Gaeilge:**

- Spoke on a panel at Seiminear Conradh na Gaeilge at Oireachtas na Samhna
- Attended Radíó Rí Rá board meeting
- Attended Conradh na Gaeilge Coiste Oideachais meeting
- Submitted and did a Presentation before Chomhchoiste na Gaeilge, na Gaeltachtaí agus Phobal Labhartha na Gaeilge about the T2 Irish Junior Cycle Exam.
- Attended in person Coiste Gnó meeting on the 2nd of November
- Attended online Coiste Gnó meeting on Tuesday 28th of November
- Held 3 Traenáil na nOifigeach sessions, Dublin on the 12th, Galway on the 19th and Belfast on the 26th.
- Held the Traenáil na nOifigeach in Belfast in conjunction with SSUNI.

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### **Sustainability Officer:**

- Meetings:
  - Attend the EA Planning Meeting on the 4th November.
  - Attend the EA Planning Meeting on the 5th November.
  - Met with the Irish Schools Sustainability Network on the 13th November.
  - Met with the Uachtarán on the 16th November.
  - Met with the NSVDO on the 16th November.
  - Attended the 1st meeting of the Vote@16 Working Group on the 20th November.
  - Attended the Rural Sustainability Working Group Selection Panel meeting on the 23rd November.
  - Met with the Uachtarán to prepare for the Strategic Planning Meeting on the 24th November.
  - Met with other Coiste Gnó officers to prepare for the Strategic Planning Meeting.
  - Met with the Rural Students Sustainability Working Group on the 28th November for the first time.
  - Attended the Coiste Gnó meeting on the 29th November.
- Unified Tertiary Education System:
  - Attend the Learner Consultative Workshop on a Unified Tertiary Policy Vision at the Department of Education for the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science with the Welfare Officer.
- Extraordinary Assembly:
  - While the Uachtarán was absent from the 27th November to the 1st December, I took lead on preparations for the Extraordinary Assembly.
  - I assisted in organising the Running for Election Webinar.
  - I called schools to promote registration for EA.
- Debate Your Decision Makers:
  - Secured €6,000 total funding for DYDM to date:
    - €1,000 from Ian Power, CEO of Spunout.ie
    - €5,000 from the Department of Education ESD to 2030 funding program.
  - Signed and sent invitations to TDs and distinguished guests for DYDM.
  - Invited the media to attend.
  - Continued the search for a venue.
  - Provided an update to the Coiste Gnó at the meeting on the 29th November.
  - Began getting quotes on merchandise for participant packs.
- Rural Students Sustainability Working Group:
  - Selected the members of the working group.
  - Emailed the successful applicants.

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- Had an introductory call and explained the work plan for the term.
- 7th National Forum on Education for Sustainable Development:
  - Attended a preparation meeting for speakers of Breakout Group 3: Empowering and Mobilising Youth and Local Community Engagement on the
  - Worked on my presentation.

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**Disability Officer:**

- Attended the in-person Coiste Gnó meeting in Liberty Hall on the 2nd of November.
- Met with the OCO Beyond Limits Youth Advisory Panel online on the 8th of November.
- Attended the Louth-Meath Regional Council in TU Dublin Blanchardstown on the 10th of November.
- Created an Accessibility in Technology workshop for the Kildare-Wicklow Regional Council.
- Attended a meeting of the EPSEN Act 2004 Advisory Group online on the 18th of November.
- Attended the Strategic Planning meeting in-person in Fórsa on the 26th of November.
- Partially attended the Coiste Gnó meeting on the 29th of November. (I was OOO during this period but I joined the meeting near the end to ensure quorum was held.)
- Updated the Accessibility in Technology Workshop to be held at the Extraordinary Assembly.

***I was OOO for large periods of November due to my Winter Exams and prioritising these and my study.***

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### **Uachtarán Oinigh:**

- Held the Student Voice Policy Platform Launch event
- Met with NWCI to discuss the establishment of their youth advisory panel (a motion I put forward at their AGM as Uachtarán)
- I was invited to the launch of 'Cineáltas' the Action plan on Bullying but unfortunately could not attend due to exams :(
- Supported the CG where necessary
- Was OOO for most of the month due to exams and assessments

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